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HUGH TERHUNE NAMED TO SUCCEED BALTZO AS ALASKA FISHERIES CHIEF

The transfer of Hugh W. Terhune, now Administrator of the Philippine Fishery Program, to Washington, D. C. as Assistant Chief of the Branch of Alaska Fisheries, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, was announced today by Interior Secretary Oscar L. Chapman. Mr. Terhune, who succeeds C. Howard Baltzo, recently named Assistant Regional Director in Alaska, will report for his new assignment about July 1.

Secretary Chapman pointed out that Terhune's broad experience in Federal administration of fisheries and wildlife work, including 12 years in Alaska, makes him exceptionally well qualified for his new position.

As administrator of the Service's Philippine Fishery Program in Manila, Terhune planned and directed the work of rehabilitating and developing the fishing industry of the Philippines. Now being terminated, this program has resulted in the modernization of the Philippine fishery industries, Secretary Chapman said. New fishing grounds were explored, and knowledge necessary for the conservation and management of fishery resources by the Philippine Government was developed.

Mr. Terhune's Federal service began on July 1, 1924, when he was appointed U. S. Game Warden in Alaska. From 1927 to 1936 he was Executive Officer of the Alaska Game Commission, located in Juneau, Alaska. From June 1936 to December 1937 he was manager of the White River National Wildlife Refuge in Arkansas, near St. Charles.

In December 1937 he was promoted to the position of chief, Division of Construction and CCC Operations, in which position he formulated and supervised the operating policies for the 38 CCC camps assigned to the Service.

Mr. Terhune transferred in 1942 to the Philadelphia office of ship construction of the U. S. Maritime Commission. He remained there until 1944, when he returned to the Service as Enforcement Officer for the Pilchard fishery allocation program of the Office of Fishery Coordination. In May, 1945, he became Area Coordinator of Fisheries for the State of California and in September 1946 he was appointed Administrator of the Philippine Fishery Program.

Born in Litchfield, Nebraska in 1891, Terhune attended public school in that city and later in St. John, Washington. He attended Northwestern Business College, Spokane, Washington.

Mr. Terhune is married and has two grown children - a son and a daughter.

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